Rs. 63,000 have been earmarked for the purpose for the year 1986-87;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for allocating such a meagre amount;

(c) whether Government propose to increase the allocation on this account to considerable extent;

(d) whether it is also a fact that 116 houses were sanctioned under the 'Build your own house scheme" during 1985-86;

(e) if so, how many out of them were sanctioned for Allahabad region and what are the details in this regard; and

(f) what amount has been earmarked under scheme for economically weaker sections, for the year 1986-87?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) Sanctioned amount of Rs. 5.80 lakhs under Build Your Own House Scheme during the year 19[illegible] has already been reported vide answer to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 342 dated 22nd July, 1986. The allocation for 1986-87 for the Build Your Own House Scheme is Rs. 6.30 lakhs for subsidy and Rs. 63.00 lakhs for loan. Action is being taken to correct the wrong figure of Rs. 63,000/- given in reply to part of Rajya Sabha Question No. 349

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

(d) and (e) Does not arise.

(e) 21.14 in Moradabad district and 7 in Allahabad Distt.

(f) Rs 12.00 lakhs.

Item captioned fake Notes from Reserve Bank"

1351. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Fake Notes from Reserve Bank" which appeared in the Bombay edition of the Times of India of the 15th July, 1986; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) Yes, Sir,

(b) Reserve Bank have stated that it has been confirmed by the Rajnandgaon branch of State Bank of India that no forged notes of Rs. 5 denomination have been received by them from the Reserve Bank of India. As per information received from State Bank of India certain Rs. 5 notes suspected to be forged were referred by Police to Rajnandgaon branch of State Bank of India. The series on these notes were found by State Bank of India to be same as those on genuine notes received by the branch earlier from Reserve Bank of India and noted in their records. These notes have been referred by the Police for expert examination.

Monopoly Cotton Procurement Scheme in Maharashtra

1352. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of TEXTLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Maharashtra Government has asked for the approval of the Central Government for the continuance of the Monopoly Cotton Procurement Scheme for another ten years; and

(b) if so, what decision has been taken by the Central Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI KHURSHID ALAM KHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The matter is under the consideration of the Government.

Procedure for reimbursement of deposits of deceased account holders

1353. DR. H. P. SHARMA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the procedure for reimbursement of the deposits lying in

savings bank accounts to the legal successor of a deceased customer;

(b) whether Government have framed any orders/regulations in this regard; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) to (c) Ordinarily payment of balances standing to the credit of a deceased depositor requires the claimant to produce legally accepted evidence of title. However, to avoid the delays involved in obtaining such evidence in respect of small depositors, banks have evolved procedures whereunder the balances standing to the credit of the deceased depositors are paid to successors after obtaining certain documents such as claim application, death certificate, indemnity bond/ sureties, consent letters from other legal heirs affidavit indicating particulars of legal heirs, etc.

Now depositors have the facility of nominating the person/s to whom balances to the credit of their accounts should be paid after their demise.

Evasion of Excise Duty by Beedi manufacturers

1354. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of a large scale evasion of excise duty by beedi manufacturers in collusion with the local excise officials in Allahabad region, especially in Gursahai Ganj, Farrukhabad; and

(b) if so, what action Government have taken or propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) No case of evasion of excise duty by beedi manufacturers in collusion with the excise officials in Gursahai Ganj and Farrukhabad and in Allahabad region has come to the notice of the Government.

(b) Does not arise in view of reply to (a) above. However, as a precautionary measure, the preventive and intelligence set-up in the above regions have been further strengthened.

Interest paid to the claimed of decision depositors

1355. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:-

(a) whether the claimants of deceased depositors in the nationalised banks are entitled to get the full amount with up to date interest on the deposits at the time of final settlement; and

(b) if not, what are the cases in which interest on such deposits is not payable to the claimants?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) Banks are required to pay interest on the balances to the credit of deceased depositors in accordance with the directives of the Reserve Bank. Such deposits with prescribed interest upto the date of withdrawal are payable by the banks to the legal heirs of the deceased depositors.

(b) Does not arise.

News item captioned "Customs Detain Hepatitis Kits"

1356. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Governments attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in "The Afternoon Despatch & Courier" of July 10, 1986 published from Bombay captioned "Customs Detain Hepatitis kits"; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?